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September 19, 1990

Debbie Fript
U.S. EPA - Region V
Emergency Support Section SHS-12
230 S. Dearborn St.
Chicago, IL 60604

Re: Himco Landfill
Elkhart, Indiana
General Notice of Potential Liability

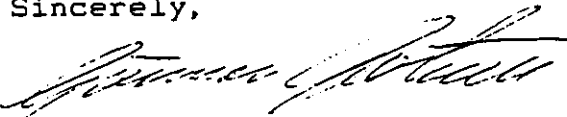
Dear Ms. Fript:

Based upon our records and information certified by the former owners of Caffman Products, Inc. (CPI) to a request by your Mr. Niedergang on May 2, 1989, we believe that the waste supplied to Himco Landfill was normal sanitary landfill material and did not contain any hazardous materials. Further, raw materials high in sodium are foreign to machine shops that only do machining in the absence of chemical surface treatment or heat treating.

If, as alleged in Robert J. Bowden's letter, you have information that CPI may have generated or transported hazardous substances that were disposed of at the site, you have information that we, the current owners are unaware of. Accordingly, under the Freedom of Information Act, we request copies of any and all documents that show or tend to show that CPI generated or transported hazardous substances containing levels of sodium above those normally found in waste paper, cardboard and normal lunchroom refuse to the Himco Landfill.

In the absence of definitive evidence relative to sodium, we request that we be removed from the list of PRP's for this site.

Sincerely,



Gunnar Grotness
President

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Response
to 9/4/90
SW letter